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240 graduating seniors get real-life fire safety training

Gahanna Lincoln High School seniors will participate in a bucket brigade, learn about alcohol poisoning, how to operate fire extinguishers, and see reality fire video clips all in an effort to reinforce the theme of Mifflin Township Division of Fire's Student Government Days: "Know 2 Ways Out".

Mifflin Township Division of Fire will host 240 Gahanna Lincoln High School students from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for Student Government Days May 21, 2013 and May 22, 2013 at Station 131, 475 Rocky Fork Blvd. in Gahanna, Ohio. Students will rotate through five, fast-paced, hands-on learning stations. The first station — "bucket brigade" — will be a water-bucket relay race to teach seniors not only the historical way of fighting fires and how far fire service has advanced, but to set the rapid-response tone for the day.

"We want students to be able to understand in emergency situations they have a lot of problems thrown at them all at once, and they have to make decisions quickly," said Chuck Wilhelm, Mifflin Township firefighter/paramedic and Student Government Days coordinator.

Mifflin Township Division of Fire has partnered with Gahanna Lincoln High School for 30 years as part of the school's state and local government unit.

The <u>Mifflin Township Division of Fire</u> provides fire and emergency medical services to the city of Gahanna and the unincorporated areas of Mifflin Township responding to more than 8,000 calls for assistance annually.

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